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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/759,349 for  
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING FLOW  
OF PROCESS MATERIALS  
Our File No. 297/190

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) in duplicate;
3. Copy of PCT International Search Report and Notification of Transmittal;
4. Copies of cited references (4 references); and
5. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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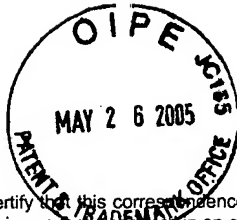
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants' undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the references as well as Form PTO-1449 are attached hereto. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

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Applicant hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

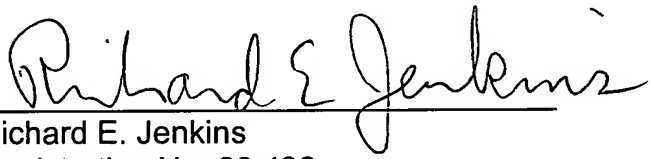
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List of Documents Cited by Applicant							
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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing date if Appropriate
	1.	2,946,488	12/26/1957	Kraft			
	2.	4,521,165	06/04/1985	Handleman			
	3.	5,622,484	04/22/1997	Taylor-McCune et al.			
	4.	6,478,512 B1	11/12/2002	Higuchi et al.			
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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	5.	International Search Report and Notification of Transmittal with Written Opinion, dated April 15, 2005.					

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